that all applicable administrative actions and all required work of the

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- (b) Reports. Within 90 days after the expiration or termination of the grant, the grantee must submit all financial, performance, and other reports required as a condition of the grant. Upon request by the grantee, Federal agencies may extend this timeframe. These may include but are not limited to:
- (1) Final performance or progress report.
- (2) Financial Status Report (SF 269) or Outlay Report and Request for Reimbursement for Construction Programs (SF-271) (as applicable).
- (3) Final request for payment (SF-270) (if applicable).
 - (4) Invention disclosure (if applicable).
 - (5) Federally-owned property report:

In accordance with §143.32(f), a grantee must submit an inventory of all federally owned property (as distinct from property acquired with grant funds) for which it is accountable and request disposition instructions from the Federal agency of property no longer needed.

(c) Cost adjustment. The Federal agency will, within 90 days after receipt of reports in paragraph (b) of this section, make upward or downward adjustments to the allowable costs.

(d) Cash adjustments. (1) The Federal agency will make prompt payment to the grantee for allowable reimbursable costs.

(2) The grantee must immediately refund to the Federal agency any balance of unobligated (unencumbered) cash advanced that is not authorized to be retained for use on other grants.

§143.51 Later disallowances and adjustments.

The closeout of a grant does not affect:

- (a) The Federal agency's right to disallow costs and recover funds on the basis of a later audit or other review;
- (b) The grantee's obligation to return any funds due as a result of later refunds, corrections, or other transactions;
- (c) Records retention as required in §143.42;
- (d) Property management requirements in $\S143.31$ and 143.32; and

(e) Audit requirements in §143.26.

§143.52 Collection of amounts due.

- (a) Any funds paid to a grantee in excess of the amount to which the grantee is finally determined to be entitled under the terms of the award constitute a debt to the Federal Government. If not paid within a reasonable period after demand, the Federal agency may reduce the debt by:
- (1) Making an administrative offset against other requests for reimbursements.
- (2) Withholding advance payments otherwise due to the grantee, or
 - (3) Other action permitted by law.
- (b) Except where otherwise provided by statutes or regulations, the Federal agency will charge interest on an overdue debt in accordance with the Federal Claims Collection Standards (4 CFR Ch. II). The date from which interest is computed is not extended by litigation or the filing of any form of appeal.

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APPENDIX TO PART 145—COVERED TRANS-ACTIONS

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§145.25 How is this part organized?

(a) This part is subdivided into ten subparts. Each subpart contains information related to a broad topic or specific audience with special responsibilities, as shown in the following table:

You will find provisions related to
general information about this rule.
the types of SBA transactions that are covered by the Governmentwide nonprocurement suspension and de-
barment system.
the responsibilities of persons who par- ticipate in covered transactions.
the responsibilities of SBA officials who are authorized to enter into covered transactions.
the responsibilities of Federal agencies for the Excluded Parties List System (Disseminated by the General Serv- ices Administration).
the general principles governing sus- pension, debarment, voluntary exclu- sion and settlement.
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debarment actions.
definitions of terms used in this part.
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(b) The following table shows which subparts may be of special interest to you, depending on who you are:

If you are	See subpart(s)
(1) a participant or principal in a non- procurement transaction.	A, B, C, and I.
(2) a respondent in a suspension action	A, B, F, G and I.
(3) a respondent in a debarment action	A, B, F, H and I.
(4) a suspending official	A, B, D, E, F, G and I.
(5) a debarring official	A, B, D, E, F, H and I.
(6) a (n) SBA official authorized to enter into a covered transaction.	A, B, D, E and I.
(7) Reserved	J.

§145.50 How is this part written?

- (a) This part uses a "plain language" format to make it easier for the general public and business community to use. The section headings and text, often in the form of questions and answers, must be read together.
- (b) Pronouns used within this part, such as "I" and "you," change from subpart to subpart depending on the audience being addressed. The pronoun "we" always is the SBA.
- (c) The "Covered Transactions" diagram in the appendix to this part shows the levels or "tiers" at which the SBA enforces an exclusion under this part.

§145.75 Do terms in this part have special meanings?

This part uses terms throughout the text that have special meaning. Those terms are defined in Subpart I of this part. For example, three important terms are—

- (a) Exclusion or excluded, which refers only to discretionary actions taken by a suspending or debarring official under this part or the Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4);
- (b) Disqualification or disqualified, which refers to prohibitions under specific statutes, executive orders (other than Executive Order 12549 and Executive Order 12689), or other authorities. Disqualifications frequently are not subject to the discretion of an agency official, may have a different scope than exclusions, or have special conditions that apply to the disqualification; and
- (c) *Ineligibility or ineligible*, which generally refers to a person who is either excluded or disqualified.

Subpart A—General

§145.100 What does this part do?

This part adopts a governmentwide system of debarment and suspension for SBA nonprocurement activities. It also provides for reciprocal exclusion of persons who have been excluded under the Federal Acquisition Regulation, and provides for the consolidated listing of all persons who are excluded, or disqualified by statute, executive order, or other legal authority. This part satisfies the requirements in section 3 of Executive Order 12549, "Debarment and Suspension" (3 CFR 1986 Comp., p. 189), Executive Order 12689, "Debarment and Suspension" (3 CFR 1989 Comp., p. 235) and 31 U.S.C. 6101 note (Section 2455, Public Law 103-355, 108 Stat. 3327).

§145.105 Does this part apply to me?

Portions of this part (see table at \$145.25(b)) apply to you if you are a(n)—

(a) Person who has been, is, or may reasonably be expected to be, a participant or principal in a covered transaction;